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ABSTRACT

Using content to motivate students in grades 4-8 to acquire reading and writing skills, this book presents 13 mini-lessons on using literature to teach skills and strategies in reading, writing, and grammar. Each lesson covers at least 2, if not all 3 of these areas, and each lesson can easily take several days to cover. Each lesson presents the objective of the lesson, an introduction, a list of materials and preparations to complete, procedures, follow-up activities, and students evaluation methods. Chapters in the book are: (1) How To Use This Book; (2) A Look at a Literature-Based Classroom; (3) Questions and Answers; (4) Comprehension Strategies; (5) Taking Notes; (6) Writing Paragraphs from Summary Notes; (7) Data Retrieval Chart: A Graphic Organizer; (8) Revising Sentences; (9) Using a Thesaurus; (10) How a Story Is Developed; (11) Point of View; (12) Writing Dialogue; (13) Writing Lead Sentences; (14) Writing Plurals; (15) Possessive Nouns; and (16) Developing Vocabulary Using a Semantic Map. (RS)

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